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House of Representatives
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana

Monday, April 7, 2003

The House of Representatives was called to order at 4:00 P.M., by the Honorable Charlie DeWitt, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Morning Hour

ROLL CALL

The roll being called, the following members answered to their names:

PRESENT

Mr. Speaker	Fruge	Perkins
Alario	Futrell	Peychaud
Alexander	Gallot	Pierre
Ansardi	Glover	Pinac
Arnold	Green	Pitre
Baldone	Guillory	Powell
Baudoin	Hammett	Quezaire
Baylor	Heaton	Richmond
Beard	Hebert	Romero
Bowler	Hill	Salter
Broome	Honey	Scalise
Bruce	Hopkins	Schneider
Bruneau	Hudson	Schwegmann
Capella	Hunter	Shaw
Carter, K	Iles	Smith, G.—56th
Carter, R	Jackson, L	Smith, J.D.—50th
Cazayoux	Jackson, M	Smith, J.H.—8th
Crane	Johns	Smith, J.R.—30th
Crowe	Katz	Sneed
Curtis	Kennard	Stelly
Damico	Kenney	Strain
Daniel	LaFleur	Swilling
Dartez	Lancaster	Thompson
Devillier	Landrieu	Toomy
Diez	LeBlanc	Townsend
Doerge	Lucas	Triche
Downer	Martiny	Tucker
Downs	McDonald	Waddell
Durand	McVea	Walker

Erdey
Fannin
Farrar
Fauchoux
Flavin
Frith
Total—104

Montgomery
Morrell
Morrish
Murray
Nevers
Odinet

Walsworth
Welch
Winston
Wooton
Wright

ABSENT

Hutter
Total—1

The Speaker announced that there were 104 members present and a quorum.

Prayer

Prayer was offered by Rev. James Winston.

Pledge of Allegiance

Rep. Pierre led the House in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Reading of the Journal

On motion of Rep. Walker, the reading of the Journal was dispensed with.

On motion of Rep. Walker, the Journal of April 2, 2003, was adopted.

Petitions, Memorials and
Communications

The following petitions, memorials, and communications were received and read:

Message from the Senate

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 2, 2003

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has concurred in the following House Concurrent Resolutions:

House Concurrent Resolution No. 67
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 69
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 70
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 71
Returned without amendments.

House Concurrent Resolution No. 73
Returned without amendments.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

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Message from the Senate

ASKING CONCURRENCE IN SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

April 2, 2003

To the Honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed to inform your honorable body that the Senate has adopted and asks your concurrence in the following Senate Concurrent Resolutions:

Senate Concurrent Resolution Nos. 27, 28, and 29

Respectfully submitted,

MICHAEL S. BAER, III
Secretary of the Senate

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, the rules were suspended in order to take up and consider Senate Concurrent Resolutions at this time.

Senate Concurrent Resolutions

The following Senate Concurrent Resolutions contained in the message were taken up and acted upon as follows:

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27—

BY SENATOR LAMBERT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To invite Chief Justice Pascal Calogero of the Louisiana Supreme Court to address a joint session of the legislature.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruneau, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 28—

BY SENATOR DUPRE AND REPRESENTATIVE BALDONE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the South Terrebonne High School Band and its band director, Jason Lyons, for receiving the Grand Champion Trophy for "The Best Marching Band" in the Krewe of Rex.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Baldone, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29—

BY SENATOR HEITMEIER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Archbishop Shaw High School cheerleaders and their coaches upon winning the 2003 Universal Cheerleaders Association National Championship.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Damico, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was concurred in.

Introduction of Resolutions, House and House Concurrent

The following members introduced the following entitled House and House Concurrent Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 24—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HUTTER

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Hillary J. "Tookie" Nunez, Sr. of St. Bernard Parish.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Odinet, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 25—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TRICHE

A RESOLUTION

To amend and readopt House Rules 6.4(A) and (B) of the Rules of Order of the House of Representatives to provide for the composition of the Committee on Appropriations.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 74—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WINSTON

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To create the Foster Care and Management Act to impose a reporting obligation to create greater awareness of the activities of the office of community services within the Department of Social Services relative to its duties in the areas of foster care and adoption.

Read by title.

Lies over under the rules.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 75—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the DeSoto Youth Sportsmen Team upon winning the National Rifle Association's Youth Hunter Education Challenge.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Bruce, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 76—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize April 9, 2003, as a Day of Prayer in Louisiana for the victims of the South Louisiana serial killer, for the victims' families, and for the serial killer's quick apprehension.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Welch, and under a suspension of the rules, the resolution was adopted.

Ordered to the Senate.

Introduction of House Bills and Joint Resolutions

The following named members introduced the following House Bills and Joint Resolutions, which were read the first time by their titles, and placed upon the calendar for their second reading:

HOUSE BILL NO. 2 —
BY REPRESENTATIVES HAMMETT AND LEBLANC AND SENATORS
BARHAM AND DARDENNE

AN ACT

To provide with respect to the capital outlay budget and the capital outlay program for state government, state institutions, and other public entities; to provide for the designation of projects and improvements; to provide for the financing thereof making appropriations from certain sources; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 3 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE HAMMETT AND SENATOR BARHAM

AN ACT

To enact the Omnibus Bond Authorization Act of 2003, relative to the implementation of a five-year capital improvement program; to provide for the repeal of certain prior bond authorizations; to provide for new bond authorizations; to provide for authorization and sale of such bonds by the State Bond Commission; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 720 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE HILL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Children's Code Article 791.1, relative to the truancy and assessment and service center pilot program; to authorize the creation of a truancy and assessment and service center in the parish of Allen; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 721 —
BY REPRESENTATIVES WINSTON AND STRAIN AND SENATOR THOMAS

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:149.27, relative to public buildings; to provide that the building in Covington known as the St. Tammany Livestock Show Facility be renamed as the Bobby Fletcher Agricultural Center; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 964 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE LEBLANC

AN ACT

To amend and reenact Section 3(A) of Act No. 38 of the 1974 Regular Session of the Legislature, as amended by Act No. 673 of the 1977 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 940 of the 1981 Regular Session of the Legislature, Act No. 939 of the 1986 Regular Session of the Legislature, and Act No. 40 of the 1989 Regular Session of the Legislature, relative to the taxes levied by the governing authority of Lafayette Parish upon the occupancy of hotel rooms and overnight camping facilities within the parish, the proceeds of which are used to support the Lafayette Parish Convention and Visitors Commission; to provide that the amount of such taxes shall not exceed four percent of the rent or fee charged for such occupancy; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1087 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE HUNTER

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:2711.19, relative to municipal sales and use taxes; to authorize the governing authority of the city of Monroe to levy and collect an additional sales and use tax; to provide for voter

approval; to provide for a termination date of such authority; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1144 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE RICHMOND

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 16:16(A) and 16.1 and to enact R.S. 16:16.3, relative to court costs in criminal matters; to provide for fees for the office of the district attorney in the parish of Orleans; to provide for an additional nonrefundable fee in criminal matters; to require the clerk of the Criminal District Court for the parish of Orleans to remit the money monthly to the district attorney's office; to provide for expenditure of the money collected; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1661 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9033.4, to authorize the creation of a tax increment financing district within the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and authority of the district, including the power of taxation and the power to engage in tax increment financing; to provide for the governing body of the district; to provide for the boundaries of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1674 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE M. JACKSON

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 33:9033.4, to authorize the creation of a tax increment financing district within the parish of East Baton Rouge; to provide for the governance of the district; to provide for the powers, duties, and authority of the district, including the power of taxation and the power to engage in tax increment financing; to provide for the governing body of the district; to provide for the boundaries of the district; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1770 —
BY REPRESENTATIVE JACK SMITH

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 23:921(B) and (C), relative to employment contracts; to provide that interested parties may agree to refrain from engaging in similar businesses under certain circumstances; to provide that employees may not engage in similar businesses under certain circumstances; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Reports of Committees

The following reports of committees were received and read:

Report of the Committee on Civil Law and Procedure

April 7, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Civil Law and Procedure to submit the following report:

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House Bill No. 64, by Baldone
Reported with amendments. (7-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 126, by Montgomery
Reported with amendments. (6-2) (Regular)

House Bill No. 179, by Powell
Reported favorably. (7-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 340, by Baldone
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 398, by Baldone
Reported with amendments. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 963, by Salter
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1727, by Powell
Reported favorably. (5-2) (Regular)

RONNIE JOHNS
Chairman

Report of the Committee on Commerce

April 7, 2003

To the Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Commerce to submit the following report:

House Bill No. 226, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 227, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 228, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 229, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 333, by Pinac
Reported with amendments. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 698, by Pinac
Reported by substitute. (10-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 701, by Pinac
Reported with amendments. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1629, by Pinac
Reported with amendments. (9-0) (Regular)

House Bill No. 1767, by Pinac
Reported favorably. (8-0) (Regular)

GIL J. PINAC
Chairman

House and House Concurrent Resolutions

The following House and House Concurrent Resolutions lying over were taken up and acted upon as follows:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 66—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SALTER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To prohibit the Office of Elderly Affairs from making certain planning and service area changes and federal funding distribution changes relative to the Older Americans Act.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Health and Welfare.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 72—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MONTGOMERY

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To direct the House Committee on Ways and Means to study the impact of the Constitutional Amendment, commonly referred to as the "Stelly Plan", on individual taxpayers and the state budget.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above resolution was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

House Bills and Joint Resolutions on Second Reading to be Referred

The following House Bills and Joint Resolutions on second reading to be referred to committees were taken up, read, and referred to committees, as follows:

HOUSE BILL NO. 1768—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MURRAY

AN ACT

To enact R.S. 49:150.2, relative to the state capitol complex; to permit use of certain unlicensed state vehicles within the state capitol complex; to provide for conditions for use of such vehicles; to provide for an effective date; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Under the rules, the above bill was referred to the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Broome, the Committee on House and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1469.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1469—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BROOME

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:1318(A) and (F) and 1319(A)(3), to enact R.S. 36:209(T), and to repeal R.S. 36.4(U); to transfer the Louisiana Retirement Development Commission to the Department of Culture, Recreation and Tourism; to provide for the commission to implement a marketing strategy to promote Louisiana as a retirement destination; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Broome, the bill was withdrawn from the files of the House.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Sneed, the Committee on Commerce was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1730.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1730—

BY REPRESENTATIVE SNEED

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(dd), relative to the "Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act"; to exempt certain employers from offering a basic health benefit plan as required by the "Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Sneed, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Motion

On motion of Rep. Daniel, the Committee on Commerce was discharged from further consideration of House Bill No. 1731.

HOUSE BILL NO. 1731—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DANIEL

AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(introductory paragraph) and to enact R.S. 51:2453(1)(a)(i)(dd), relative to the "Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act"; to exempt certain employers from offering a basic health benefit plan as required by the "Louisiana Quality Jobs Program Act"; and to provide for related matters.

Read by title.

On motion of Rep. Daniel, the bill was recommitted to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 7, 2003

To the honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 16—

BY REPRESENTATIVE GALLOT

A RESOLUTION

To commend Dr. Patrick S. Clawson upon being elected as a Fellow of the International College of Chiropractors, Inc.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 18—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DOWNER

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Myron "Moe" William Chauvin of Houma.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOWNER, BALDONE, DARTEZ, PITRE, AND TRICHE

A RESOLUTION

To commend W. S. Lafargue Elementary School as Louisiana's winner of the 2002-2003 International Reading Association Exemplary Reading Program Award.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 20—

BY REPRESENTATIVE HONEY

A RESOLUTION

To recognize Mrs. Lillian D. Carey on her one hundredth birthday.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVE MCDONALD

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Carol Coltharp.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE CAZAYOUX

A RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Joseph Arthur "Butch" Bergeron, Jr.

HOUSE RESOLUTION NO. 23—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT AND DOWNS

A RESOLUTION

To commend Spencer Dakota Clawson of Homer upon achieving the rank of Eagle Scout.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Privileged Report of the Committee on Enrollment

April 7, 2003

To the honorable Speaker and Members of the House of Representatives:

I am directed by your Committee on Enrollment to submit the following report:

The following House Concurrent Resolutions have been properly enrolled:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 2—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND AND SENATOR SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the makers of Nakatosh Coffee and to recognize it as the official coffee of Natchitoches, Louisiana.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 5—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PERKINS

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Public Administration Institute Student Association (PAISA) at Louisiana State University and to recognize April 9, 2003, as the fifth annual PAISA Day.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 8—

BY REPRESENTATIVES SCHNEIDER AND CROWE AND SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Richard Tanner upon his retirement as Assistant Superintendent of the St. Tammany Parish School System.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 10—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DEWITT, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, CAPELLA, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEVILLIER, DIEZ, DOERGE, DOWNER, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, GALLOT, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, ILES, L. JACKSON, M. JACKSON, JOHNS, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LAFLEUR, LANCASTER, LANDRIEU, LEBLANC, LUCAS, MARTINY, McDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, NEVERS, ODINET, PERKINS, PEYCHAUD, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SCHWEGMANN, SHAW, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, SNEED, STELLY, STRAIN, SWILLING, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WELCH, WINSTON, WOOTON, AND WRIGHT AND SENATORS ADLEY, BAJOE, BARHAM, BEAN, BOISSIERE, CAIN, CHAISSON, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DEAN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, HOYT, IRONS, JOHNSON, B. JONES, C. JONES, LAMBERT, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, TARVER, THEUNISSEN, THOMAS, AND ULLO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express support for President George W. Bush and the United States Armed Forces.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 12—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Robert Bordelon.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 13—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Glenn J. Prothro.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 14—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Michael J. Moreau.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 15—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of John G. Bordelon.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 16—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Abner J. Moreau, Jr.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 17—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WALKER AND SENATOR HINES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Barbara "Bobbie" Gremillion.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 19—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND AND SENATOR SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Alexander C. Billioux upon being named recipient of a 2003 Marshall Scholarship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 20—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAUDOIN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To designate the town of Arnaudville "A Jewel on the Teche".

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 21—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, GUILLORY, HILL, ILES, JOHNS, MORRISH, AND STELLY AND SENATORS CAIN, MOUNT, AND THEUNISSEN

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Horace Lynn Jones of DeQuincy and the enduring gratitude of the members for his outstanding contributions to Calcasieu Parish and the state of Louisiana, particularly during his twelve-year tenure as a distinguished member of the Louisiana House of Representatives.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 22—

BY REPRESENTATIVE TOWNSEND AND SENATOR SMITH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Casey Crowder of Shreveport for her outstanding accomplishments and for proudly representing the state as Miss Louisiana 2002.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 26—

BY REPRESENTATIVES GALLOT AND DOWNS AND SENATOR B. JONES

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Elizabeth F. Manning upon receiving a twenty-five thousand dollar Milken Family Foundation National Educator Award.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 27—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BEARD

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express solidarity with Israel in its fight against terrorism and to commend President George W. Bush for his leadership in addressing the Israeli-Palestinian conflict.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 29—

BY REPRESENTATIVES FLAVIN, GUILLORY, HILL, ILES, JOHNS, MORRISH, AND STELLY, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, CAPELLA, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DIEZ, DOERGE, DOWNER, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, GALLOT, GLOVER, GREEN, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, L. JACKSON, M. JACKSON, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LAFLEUR, LANCASTER, LANDRIEU, LEBLANC, LUCAS, MARTINY, McDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MURRAY, NEVERS, ODINET, PERKINS, PEYCHAUD, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SCHWEGMANN, SHAW, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, SNEED, STRAIN, SWILLING, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WELCH, WINSTON, WOOTON, AND WRIGHT AND SENATORS CAIN, MOUNT, THEUNISSEN, ADLEY, BAJOE, BARHAM, BEAN, BOISSIERE, CHAISSON, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DEAN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, HOYT, IRONS, JOHNSON, B. JONES, C. JONES, LAMBERT, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, TARVER, THOMAS, AND ULLO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere and heartfelt condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of the Honorable William Lasater "Bill" McLeod, Jr. of Lake Charles and the enduring gratitude of the members for his outstanding contributions to the city of Lake Charles and the state of Louisiana, particularly during his twenty-three-year tenure as a distinguished member of the legislature.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 31—

BY REPRESENTATIVES JOHNS, ALARIO, ALEXANDER, ANSARDI, ARNOLD, BALDONE, BAUDOIN, BAYLOR, BEARD, BOWLER, BROOME, BRUCE, BRUNEAU, CAPELLA, K. CARTER, R. CARTER, CAZAYOUX, CRANE, CROWE, CURTIS, DAMICO, DANIEL, DARTEZ, DEVILLIER, DEWITT, DIEZ, DOERGE, DOWNER, DOWNS, DURAND, ERDEY, FANNIN, FARRAR, FAUCHEUX, FLAVIN, FRITH, FRUGE, FUTRELL, GALLOT, GLOVER, GREEN, GUILLORY, HAMMETT, HEATON, HEBERT, HILL, HONEY, HOPKINS, HUDSON, HUNTER, HUTTER, ILES, L. JACKSON, M.

JACKSON, KATZ, KENNARD, KENNEY, LAFLEUR, LANCASTER, LANDRIEU, LEBLANC, LUCAS, MARTINY, MCDONALD, MCVEA, MONTGOMERY, MORRELL, MORRISH, MURRAY, NEVERS, ODINET, PERKINS, PEYCHAUD, PIERRE, PINAC, PITRE, POWELL, QUEZAIRE, RICHMOND, ROMERO, SALTER, SCALISE, SCHNEIDER, SCHWEGMANN, SHAW, GARY SMITH, JACK SMITH, JANE SMITH, JOHN SMITH, SNEED, STELLY, STRAIN, SWILLING, THOMPSON, TOOMY, TOWNSEND, TRICHE, TUCKER, WADDELL, WALKER, WALSWORTH, WELCH, WINSTON, WOOTON, AND WRIGHT AND SENATORS ADLEY, BAJIOIE, BARHAM, BEAN, BOISSIERE, CAIN, CHAISSON, CRAVINS, DARDENNE, DEAN, DUPRE, ELLINGTON, FIELDS, FONTENOT, GAUTREAUX, HAINKEL, HEITMEIER, HINES, HOLDEN, HOLLIS, HOYT, IRONS, JOHNSON, B. JONES, C. JONES, LAMBERT, LENTINI, MALONE, MARIONNEAUX, MCPHERSON, MICHOT, MOUNT, ROMERO, SCHEDLER, SMITH, TARVER, THEUNISSEN, THOMAS, AND ULLO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of David A. Hamilton.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 32—

BY REPRESENTATIVES DOWNER, BALDONE, DARTEZ, AND TRICHE AND SENATORS DUPRE AND GAUTREAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Ms. Vickie Eserman upon earning the outstanding middle-school science teacher-of-the-year award from the Louisiana Science Teachers Association.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 33—

BY REPRESENTATIVE POWELL AND SENATOR HAINKEL

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival as a major Louisiana Festival and to commend and congratulate the city of Ponchatoula, the Board of Directors of the Ponchatoula Strawberry Festival, and all of the citizens of Ponchatoula and Tangipahoa Parish who work so hard to make that festival so successful.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 34—

BY REPRESENTATIVES TUCKER, ALARIO, ARNOLD, DAMICO, GREEN, TOOMY, AND WOOTEN AND SENATORS HEITMEIER AND ULLO

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Archbishop Shaw High School cheerleaders and their coaches upon winning the 2003 Universal Cheerleaders Association National Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 35—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize May 7, 2003, as State Employee Recognition Day.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 36—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University Lady Tigers basketball team upon winning the Southeastern Conference (SEC) Tournament championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 45—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE, DARTEZ, AND DOWNER AND SENATORS DUPRE AND GAUTREAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Ellender Memorial High School girls basketball team for an exceptional season and for winning the Class 4A State Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 46—

BY REPRESENTATIVES BALDONE, DARTEZ, AND DOWNER AND SENATORS DUPRE AND GAUTREAUX

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Vanderbilt Catholic High School boys soccer team for an exceptional season and for winning the Division II State Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 47—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CROWE AND SCHNEIDER AND SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the tragic death of Deputy Justin Wayne Kennedy of the St. Tammany Parish Sheriff's Department.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 48—

BY REPRESENTATIVES CROWE AND SCHNEIDER AND SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express sincere and heartfelt condolences upon the death of Mr. Darryl V. Warner of Slidell.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 52—

BY REPRESENTATIVE LAFLEUR

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Francophone Section of the Louisiana Bar Association and to encourage citizens to support its French Mock Trial and to participate in the celebration of the Bicentennial of the Louisiana Purchase.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 55—

BY REPRESENTATIVES MCVEA, ERDEY, AND POWELL AND SENATOR FONTENOT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Albany High School Girls Basketball team for an exceptional season and for winning the Class 3A State Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 57—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT AND SENATOR SCHEDLER

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize May 14, 2003, as Junior League Day.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 58—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DEWITT

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize the month of May as DNA Awareness Month.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 61—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Evangel Christian Academy football team on winning the Class 5A State Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 62—

BY REPRESENTATIVE BRUCE

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend Devin Allen upon being crowned Louisiana's Southern Teen 2003.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 67—

BY REPRESENTATIVE DURAND

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To recognize and commend the International Adhesions Society for its efforts in promoting awareness of adhesions and supporting patients with adhesions.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 69—

BY REPRESENTATIVES WELCH AND WALSWORTH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University Men's Basketball team on a great season and upon being selected to participate in the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) Men's Basketball Tournament.

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HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 70—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To express the sincere condolences of the Legislature of Louisiana upon the death of Mr. Harrison Joseph "Chief" Baptiste.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 71—

BY REPRESENTATIVE WELCH

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend the Louisiana State University women's track and field team upon winning the 2003 National Collegiate Athletic Association Indoor Track and Field Championship.

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 73—

BY REPRESENTATIVE PINAC

A CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

To commend electric utility companies for their efforts to promptly restore power after Tropical Storm Isidore and Hurricane Lili.

Respectfully submitted,

DONALD RAY KENNARD
Chairman

The above House Concurrent Resolutions contained in the report were signed by the Speaker of the House and taken to the Senate by the Clerk of the House and were signed by the President of the Senate and taken by the Clerk of the House to the Secretary of State in accordance with the rules of the House.

Suspension of the Rules

On motion of Rep. Hammett, the rules were suspended to permit the Committee on Ways and Means to meet on Tuesday, April 8, 2003, and consider the following legislative instruments without giving the notice required by House Rule 14.24(A):

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 72

Leave of Absence

Rep. Hutter- 1 day

Adjournment

On motion of Rep. Thompson, at 4:25 P.M., the House agreed to adjourn until Tuesday, April 8, 2003, at 4:00 P.M.

The Speaker of the House declared the House adjourned until 4:00 P.M., Tuesday, April 8, 2003.

ALFRED W. SPEER
Clerk of the House